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Veterans' Services Department

MEMO: VETERANS DAY EVENTS FOR 2014

November 11 is a special day set aside for the respect and honoring of United States veterans. The men and women who have fought in the defense of their country are celebrated in many ways on and around this day every year. In Boston, there is an annual parade that anyone can attend, but there are also some great appreciation events, discounts and more for veterans and military families to enjoy. Below is a list of local happenings that recognize this special holiday.

Please share your event with us at 617.241.VETS (8387).

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2014

10th Annual Women Veteran Appreciation day

11 AM to 1 PM

<http://www.mass.gov/veterans/women-veterans>

Memorial Hall, MA State House 24 Beacon St Boston MA 02111

Join the MA Women Veterans' Network of the MA Department of Veterans' Services as they host their 10th Annual Women Veteran Appreciation day where we honor the women who have served past and present! We will also present the 2014 Outstanding Women Veteran of the Year with the Deborah Sampson award! If you know of a woman veteran whose military and community service has been exceptional, nominate her today for this prestigious award! ALL Veterans and families welcome. Snacks and refreshments provided. For more information contact Viviana Marcotte at 617-210-5958 or email vmarcotte@massmail.state.ma.us

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2014

Got Heart, Give Hope Celebration

3 PM 7 PM

At the Seaport World Trade Center Amphitheater, 200 Seaport Blvd, Boston MA 02210

Featuring and the HBO Movie Feature "Taking Chance" with a Hop & Courage Awards Cocktail Reception

Special Guest, General John F. Kelly, USMC and Ross Katz, "Taking Chance" Executive Producer

rsvp@hopeforthewarriors.org

<http://www.gotheartgivehope.org>

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2014

LT William S. Bush Memorial Breakfast

Beginning at 8 AM

USS Constitution Museum, Charlestown Navy Yard, Building 22, Charlestown, MA 02129

(617) 426-1812

www.ussconstitutionmuseum.org

Every year, the USS Constitution Museum pays homage to the first US Marine Corps officer to die aboard the ship during the War of 1812. This memorial breakfast in honor of LT William S. Bush is held around Veterans Day and features a guest speaker. The event is military formal and does include some Marine Corps traditional ceremonies. Interested parties can get individual tickets or become a sponsor, packages for which come with tickets to the breakfast.

Semper Fi Society Luncheon

Beginning at 12 Noon

Celebrating the 239th Marine Corps Birthday at the Boston Convention Center

415 Summer St, Boston, MA 02210

Tickets: \$85 per person with checks payable to the Semper Fidelis Society,

PO Box 6359, Boston, MA 02114

For more information contact: 617-671-8986 or semperfidelissocietyboston@gmail.com

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014

Deutsches Altenheim (The German Home) 4th Annual Veterans Day Wall of Honor Dedication

Beginning at 9 AM

A pictorial and narrative exhibit of members and friends of Deutsches Altenheim community who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

Thomas J. Fitzgerald VFW Post 63rd Annual Veterans Day Memorial Service

Kick off beginning at 9:41 AM

715 E 4th St, Boston, MA 02127

This annual tradition includes a parade which assembles at the posts headquarters and is scheduled to kick off at 9:41 AM. The parade will march to St. Brigid's Church for a Memorial Mass with brunch to follow at Cushing Hall Lower Church.

Boston's Veterans Day Parade

The Parade kicks off at **1 pm** at the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets, and wind their ways along Boston Common and on to City Hall Plaza and Faneuil Hall, where you can hear a variety of speeches and music.

Puerto Rican Veterans Monument Square Association Veterans Day Commemoration

12 PM at the monument on the corner of West Dedham and Washington Street

<http://www.prvmsa.org>

Back On My Feet Boston Veterans Walk & Run Beginning at 6 PM

Government Center, Boston, MA

(617) 680-0673

www.backonmyfeet.org

Back On My Feet Boston is hosting a walk and run that lets anyone walk alongside veterans to help support those in need. This is all about getting veterans home in another sense of the phrase. Many veterans come back to the U.S. and are unable to integrate or support themselves. As a result, they become homeless. Help them get back on their feet and find a home again by walking to raise funds. Participants do not even have to know a veteran to get involved.

Military Appreciation Night at the Boston Ballet

Tickets for the December 5, 2014 show of the Nutcracker are being sold through November at a special discount, with proper proof of ID at the Boston Ballet Box Office, 539 Washington St, Boston, MA

This event is sponsored by the City of Boston Veterans' Services, Military Friends Foundation and Toys for Tots. To join the pre-show reception and toy drive, RSVP at

<http://militarynightbostonballet.eventbrite.com>

SPECIAL SERVICES

There & Back Again Wellness Clinic

Third Friday of every month at 1:30 p.m.

Charlestown Yoga, 191 Main St., Charlestown, MA 02129

(617) 241-0824

www.thereandbackagain.org

While not expressly an event for Veterans Day, veterans can take advantage of this free clinic on the third Friday of November. There & Back Again uses the knowledge that coming home for veterans means a combination of physical and mental wellness. Combining the two with services like massage, yoga, acupuncture and reflexology, professionals help veterans center themselves at no cost to them. Tell a veteran about these services and help them relieve the stress that is virtually universal among veterans.

VOLUNTEER FOR VETERANS

Want to show your appreciation for the sacrifices that Veterans have made to keep our country strong?

Volunteer to serve meals at the New England Center for Homeless Veterans at 17 Court Street in downtown Boston, just a few steps from the Freedom Trail. Volunteers are needed every day to serve both lunch and dinner. Call ahead to register at 617-371-1800, or register online at

<http://nechv.org/volunteer> .

VETERANS DAY SPECIALS

If you're a veteran or active duty military, there are a few Boston restaurants and venues that want to thank you. You will need proof of your status, such as a military ID, MA license with veteran status, DD214 or other official document.

Cask 'n Flagon

62 Brookline Ave, across from Fenway Park; also in Marshfield MA, will thank all Veterans and Active Duty Military by offering a 40% discount on all food and beverages (except alcohol, excluded by MA law) on Monday, November 10, 2014.

Boston Market

245 Mass Ave in Boston's Fenway neighborhood; 1010 William T Morrissey Blvd in Dorchester is offering veterans a free whole chicken with the purchase of any family meal - must show your military ID.

McCormick & Schmick's

Faneuil Hall Marketplace and Park Plaza Boston locations are offering veterans a complimentary lunch or dinner entree on Monday, November 10, 2014 (the day before Veterans Day). Reservations are a must - find details on the M&S website at:

<http://mccrmckschmcks.fbmta.com/members/ViewMailing.aspx?MailingID=36507263538>

The Huntington Theater

The Huntington Theatre Company is proud to partner with Theatre Communications Group and Blue Star Families to offer \$15 tickets to US military personnel, veterans, and their immediate families. Purchase discounted tickets online using promotional code MILITARY or by calling 617 266 0800.

<http://www.huntingtontheatre.org/visit/discount-ticket-programs/blue-star-military-discount>

Boston Duck Tours

For the 17th year in a row, Boston Duck Tours is offering free rides to all war-and-peacetime military personnel during the week of Veterans Day, November 10 through 14. Boston Duck Tours will also offer all spouses and children of any present or past military personnel a special \$10.00 per person ticket. Boston Duck Tours is offering this small token of gratitude to military and their families to show them how much they are appreciated and thought of. For more information visit:

<http://www.bostonducktours.com/veterans.aspx> or call 617-450-0068

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